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FILED: 10 July 2000

TITLE: MOLD FOR USE IN SLIP CASTING, AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING
OPEN POROUS BODY FOR USE IN MOLD

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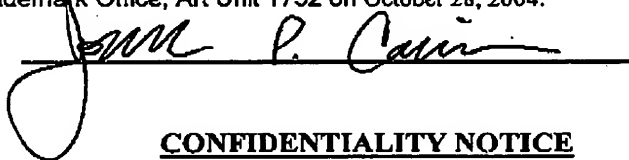
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Divisional of: 09/032,284, now issued as U.S. patent 6,165,398
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Group Art Unit: 1732
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Title: **Method of Slip Casting Powdery Material, Mold For Use In
Slip Casting Method, And Method Of Manufacturing Open
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AMENDMENT B

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In response to the Office Action dated 28 July 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.